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SUMMARY: PRESS REPORTS LIGHT. WITH HAK INFORMING NEWSMEN

PROGRESS MADE TOWARD RENEWING TALKS RE CYPRUS & HAK RESUMING

SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY.

RADIO

1. MARVIN KALB, CBS RADIO FROM JERUSALEM: HAK RETURNS TO ASWAN AFTER ANOTHER DETAILED REVIEW OF ISRAELI THINKING ABOUT A MAJOR SINAI AGREEMENT. HE MET WITH PM RABIN AND OTHER TOP ISRAELI LEADERS. UP TO THIS POINT BOTH SIDES HAVE BEEN SWAPPING IDEAS ABOUT GENERAL PRINCIPLES. THE SECRETARY'S AIM IS TO MATCH UP THE PRINCIPLES AND THEN STRIKE FOR COMPROMISES. HE HAS MADE MORE PROGRESS IN THIS RESPECT THAN HE HAS ACKNOWLEDGED. FOR EXAMPLE, FOCUS OF THE NEGOTIATION HAS SHIFTED. IT USED TO BE ON WHETHER ISRAELIS WOULD GIVE UP TWO STRATEGIC PASSES AND THE OIL FIELDS IN SINAI, NOW THAT IS ASSUMED AND THE FOCUS HAS SHIFTED TO WHAT ISRAEL WILL GET IN RETURN. RABIN WANTS AN EXPLICIT PLEDGE OF NON-AGGRESSION, SADAT REFUSES TO MAKE

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IT EXPLICIT. THAT MIGHT SEEM MINOR BUT IN THIS NEGOTIATION

IT IS OF FUNDAMENTAL IMPORTANCE. ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF PROGRESS IS THAT EACH SIDE IS NOW PREPARED TO ADMIT THAT OTHER REALLY DOES WANT AN AGREEMENT.

WIRES

1. UPI, JERUSALEM: HAK TODAY HELD A "DETAILED EXAMINATION" OF ISRAEL'S IDEAS FOR A NEW TROOP DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH EGYPT IN SINAI DESERT AND THEN TURNED HIS ATTENTION TO EGYPT.

HAK MET WITH ISRAELI NEGOTIATORS FOR TWO HOURS AND 15 MINUTES AND PLANNED TO FLY TO EGYPT LATER IN DAY, CARRYING ISRAELI RESPONSES TO EGYPTIAN PROPOSALS FOR AN INTERIM PEACE AGREEMENT.

AFTER MEETING WITH ISRAELI OFFICIALS, HAK TOLD NEWSMEN, "WE CONTINUED OUR VERY DETAILED EXAMINATION OF ELEMENTS OF A POSSIBLE AGREEMENT. IN THE NATURE OF SUCH AN EXAMINATION, WE CANNOT MAKE A PROGRESS REPORT EVERY DAY.

"THE TALKS ARE BEING CONDUCTED IN A VERY FRIENDLY AND VERY POSITIVE SPIRIT AND NOTHING HAS CHANGED MY ESTIMATION OF SITUATION."

HAK'S ESTIMATE OF SITUATION MONDAY WAS THAT AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN ISRAEL AND EGYPT WAS STILL POSSIBLE.

ALLON SAID EARLIER, "WE ALL FEEL WE ARE LABORING IN A VERY CRUCIAL PERIOD IN WHICH AGREEMENT MAY OR MAY NOT BE REACHED."

IN ASWAN, GOVT SOURCES SAID TUESDAY EGYPT IS OPPOSED TO FORMALLY ENDING STATE OF WAR BUT IS WILLING TO TAKE STEPS TO SHOW ITS PEACEFUL INTENT. ONE SOURCE SAID EGYPT COULD SHOW ITS "ORIENTATION TOWARD PEACE" BY PROMISING TO REOPEN SUEZ CANAL, LETTING NON-ISRAELI SHIPS CARRY ISRAELI CARGO THROUGH WATERWAY AND DEMILITARIZING AREAS GIVEN UP BY ISRAEL.

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NEWSPAPERS

1. NYT, GWERTZMAN, JERUSALEM, PAGE 5: HAK SAID TODAY IN ANKARA THAT AFTER EXTENSIVE TALKS WITH TURKISH LEADERS, HE BELIEVED PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE TOWARD FINDING A SOLUTION TO CYPRUS CRISIS.

LATER, FLYING BACK TO ISRAEL WITH HAK ABOARD HIS 707,

REPORTERS WERE TOLD THAT NEW TALKS BETWEEN GREEK & TURKISH CYPRIOTS WERE EXPECTED TO BEGIN SOON IN NICOSIA AND IN SOME EUROPEAN COUNTRY SUCH AS AUSTRIA.

SUCH TALKS WOULD MOST LIKELY BE FOLLOWED BY DIRECT TALKS BETWEEN GREEK & TURKISH FMS TO LEND THEIR WEIGHT TO A POSSIBLE SOLUTION, IT WAS SAID.

...DETAILS ON DISCUSSIONS ARE STILL FRAGMENTARY, DESPITE STATEMENTS TO PRESS IN ANKARA LAST NIGHT AND TODAY BY HAK AND TURKISH OFFICIALS.

...AMERICAN OFFICIALS DID NOT DENY SPECULATION THAT A MAJOR FACTOR IN APPARENT READINESS OF TWO SIDES TO TALK WAS GREECE'S WILLINGNESS NOW TO DISCUSS A POLITICAL DIVISION IN CYPRUS. THIS HAS BEEN LONG FAVORED BY TURKS BUT RESISTED BY GREECE AND GREEK CYPRIOTS.

OFFICIALS ABOARD HAK'S PLANE STRESSED THAT NEW APPROACH WAS AIMED AT FINDING A SOLUTION TO CYPRUS CRISIS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. THEY EMPHASIZED THAT LATEST HAK EFFORTS WERE NOT AIMED MERELY AT PERSUADING U.S. CONGRESS TO RESUME MILITARY AID TO TURKEY AND THEREBY AVERT A POSSIBLE RIFT IN TURKISH-U.S. RELATIONS.

...THE AMERICANS HAVE URGED ALL SIDES NOT TO "INTERNATIONALIZE" THE NEGOTIATIONS. HAK APPARENTLY OBTAINED GREECE'S AGREEMENT NOT TO PRESS FOR SOVIET OR OTHER FOREIGN INVOLVEMENT IN NEGOTIATIONS.

2. NYDAILY NEWS, CARTER, PAGE 6, JERUSALEM: HAK RESUMED TONIGHT HIS ME SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY WITH A CONFERENCE WITH PM RABIN AND OTHER ISRAELI OFFICIALS BEFORE FLYING TO UNCLASSIFIED

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EGYPT TOMORROW FOR A SECOND ROUND OF TALKS.

...ISRAELI CABINET HELD SECRET DELIBERATIONS HERE ON EGYPTIAN PROPOSALS THAT HAK OUTLINED TO THEM AFTER HIS FIRST MEETING WITH SADAT AT ASWAN TWO DAYS AGO.

HAK PLANE FLYING TO ANKARA YESTERDAY, A SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIALS SAID THAT THE ISRAELIS WERE COMING FACE TO FACE WITH WHAT HE DESCRIBED AS A "VERY MAJOR DECISION" IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH ARABS FOR A SECOND STAGE DISENGAGEMENT PACT ON SINAI FRONT.

INDICATIONS TONIGHT WERE THAT ISRAELIS HAD NOT YET DECIDED HOW FAR THEY WERE PREPARED TO GO TO REACH A NEW AGREEMENT WITH EGYPT. THERE WAS NO ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER CABINET

MEETING.

...DESPITE ISRAELI INDECISION THUS FAR, ISRAELI STATE
RADIO, KOL ISRAEL, SAID THAT THERE WAS OPTIMISM IN THIS

COUNTRY THAT HAK'S NEW ROUND OF SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY WOULD
BRING ANOTHER STEP TOWARD PEACE....

THE POST SAID THAT HAK WOULD RETURN TO EGYPT WITH CARE-
FULLY NON-COMMITTAL ISRAEL REACTIONS TO EQUALLY NON-
COMMITTAL EGYPTIAN "IDEAS AND ELEMENTS."

THE STATE RADIO SAID THAT ISRAEL WAS WILLING TO MAKE A DEAL
WITH EGYPT BUT NOT WITH SYRIA.

3. BALT SUN, MILLS, PAGE 1, JERUSALEM: AMERICAN OFFICIALS
SAID YESTERDAY THAT THEY BELIEVE GREEK & TURKISH CYPRIOTS
WILL RESUME NEGOTIATIONS SOON ON A PEACE SETTLEMENT.

AND ONCE THE FORUM IS AGREED UPON THE TWO SIDES MAY
QUICKLY DEVISE A FRAMEWORK FOR NEGOTIATIONS....

TURKISH OFFICIALS USED OPPORTUNITY OF HAK'S ANKARA VISIT
TO COMPLAIN BITTERLY ABOUT CONGRESSIONAL CUT-OFF OF AMERICAN
ARMS TO TURKEY. BUT A SENIOR U. S. OFFICIAL ABOARD HAK
PLANE YESTERDAY SAID HAK WAS NOT CONDUCTING HIS ANKARA
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TALKS WITH AN EYE TOWARD MAKING SUFFICIENT PROGRESS ON
CYPRUS QUESTION TO CONVINCE CONGRESS TO REPEAL CUT-OFF.

IN FACT, REPORTERS ON PLANE WERE TOLD, HAK IS CONDUCTING
HIS CYPRUS PEACE EFFORTS AS IF THERE WERE NO CUT-OFF.
HAK WAS SAID TO SEE THAT HE WILL NEVER WIN OVER THOSE
LEGISLATORS WHO LED MOVE TO CUT OFF MILITARY AID AS A
PUNISHMENT OF TURKEY'S USE OF AMERICAN ARMS IN INVADING
CYPRUS.

THE ADMINISTRATION NOW FEELS THAT IT COULD WIN REPEAL OF
CUT-OFF IN SENATE AND HOPES HOUSE MAY BE COMING AROUND
TO ITS VIEW. INGERSOLL

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